

PEARY ALSO REACHED THE NORTH POLE

Daring American Explorer Planted Stars and Stripes at Top of the World on April 6 of This Year—Is Now Homeward Bound on the Roosevelt.

Telegrams Announcing Discovery.
"Indian Harbor, via Cape Ray, N. F., Sept. 6.—To Associated Press, New York:
"Stars and Stripes nailed to North Pole."
(Signed) "PEARY."
"Indian Harbor, via Cape Ray, N. F., Sept. 6.—Herbert L. Bridgman, Brooklyn, N. Y.:
"Pole reached. Roosevelt safe."
(Signed) "PEARY."
"Indian Harbor, via Cape Ray, N. F., Sept. 6.—To the New York Times, New York:
"I have the pole April 6. Expect arrive Chateau bay Sept. 7. Secure control wire for me there and arrange expedite transmission big story."
(Signed) "PEARY."

New York, Sept. 8.—Robert E. Peary, having "nailed the Stars and Stripes to the pole" on April 6, 1909, as told in his series of messages flashed by wireless from the coast of Labrador, is figuratively lost to the world, homeward bound on his ship, the Roosevelt.

Herbert L. Bridgman, secretary of the Peary Arctic club, left for North Sydney, in addition to greetings from the Peary Arctic club, Mr. Bridgman carries this message from the Explorers club, of which Commander Peary and Dr. Cook are both members:
"The Explorers club sends you heartiest congratulations upon your triumphant attainment of the long sought goal—the North Pole."

Undeniably Yankee grit has conquered the frozen north and there has been created a coincidence such as the world will never see again. Two Americans have planted the flag of their country in the land of ice which man has sought to penetrate for four centuries; and each ignorant of the other's conquest has flashed within a period of five days a laconic message of success to the waiting world.

Cook in his first message to his countrymen was brief but non-committal; Peary was even briefer, but specific.

"Stars and Stripes nailed to the North Pole," he said. That was all, but never before have so few words

oroughly cleared up until a statement is obtained from his own lips.
Just as Dr. Cook notified his wife, so Commander Peary took advantage of the brief stop at Indian Harbor to assure Mrs. Peary of his safety. This message, almost overlooked during a day of excitement over his achievement, reached New York from South Harpswell, Me., where Mrs. Peary has been spending the summer. It contained both a touch of pathos and a quaint reference to his success. "Have made good at last," says the explorer to his wife. "I have the old pole. Am well; love. Will wire again from Chateau." The message is signed simply "Bert," an abbreviation of Robert, Commander Peary's first name.

Mrs. Peary sent a wife's characteristic reply, with love and a blessing and a request for him to "hurry home."

By another strange coincidence in this chapter of coincidences, Mrs. Cook, too, was in South Harpswell, Me., when she received the first news of her husband's success. Both she and Mrs. Peary had gone for months without word of their husbands, but had hoped and prayed, first for their safe return, and secondly, it may be guessed, for the planting of the flag at the pole.

Cook's achievement has been questioned and he has been charged by staunch supporters of Commander Peary with conduct unethical for what they termed his following in secrecy a route which Peary had in view. Each faction now, however, has its laurels, and with animosity buried the world at large will profit therefrom.

FOUND NO TRACE OF COOK

Peary Saw Nothing to Indicate Brooklyn Man Had Reached Pole.

St. Johns, N. F., Sept. 7.—Commander Robert E. Peary, who announced that he had discovered the North Pole on April 6 of the present year, found no trace of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, of Brooklyn, who reported to the world five days ago that he had made the same discovery in April of the preceding year. This news reached here through Captain Robert Bartlett, of the Roosevelt, Peary's ship, enroute to Chateau bay, Labrador.

Captain Bartlett telegraphed to relatives here that Peary had found nothing to indicate that Dr. Cook had reached the pole. While Peary does not expressly repudiate Dr. Cook's contention in so many words, his statement may have an important bearing upon determining the extent of Cook's explorations.

The Roosevelt was in good condition and the crew all right, wired Captain Bartlett in addition, and he reported that the schooner Jeanie, carrying supplies for the expedition, had met them off the coast of Greenland.

Coming south, the Roosevelt passed Etah and Upernivik, Greenland, where Dr. Cook had preceded Peary.

COOK LECTURES

Explorer Is Also Presented With a Gold Medal.

Copenhagen, Sept. 8.—One of the most remarkable results of Commander Peary's rivalry with Dr. Cook for the discovery of the pole is that Dr. Cook's profits from the enterprise are likely to be largely increased. He received offers for his books and lectures at twice the figures previously tendered. One American, of the highest standing, cabled terms almost startling and far beyond any sum hitherto paid for such work. Dr. Cook is likely to accept this offer.

The controversy is beginning to wax warmer here. Commander Peary's statement is unanimously accepted as true, but there is a very large following faithful to Dr. Cook. His lecture before the Geographical society Tuesday night, however, added little to the information he had already given out with reference to his expedition, and he repeated the declaration of his intention to withhold details until the publication of his book.

The king and queen, Prince and Princess George of Greece and many of the members of the royal family, together with a large gathering of the most prominent people in Copenhagen, witnessed the presentation to Dr. Cook of a gold medal by the crown prince and listened to the explorer's lecture afterwards.

Standing in front of an immense map of the Arctic regions, which was surrounded by the Stars and Stripes, Dr. Cook outlined his progress for the North Pole. In introducing the explorer, the crown prince said that his reception in Greenland and at Copenhagen showed the way the Danes appreciated his wonderful exploit. The prince then begged the honor of presenting to him the medal of the Geographical society. Dr. Cook told his story coolly and without hesitation, but most of his statements had been given out before. He cleared up the doubts about the lowest temperature recorded, which he reiterated was 83 degrees below zero Fahrenheit. He said he had no doubt that the observations made would prove that he had been on and around the ninetyth degree.

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